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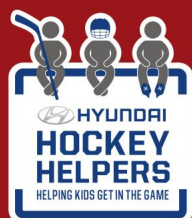
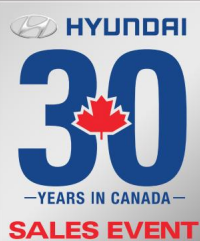
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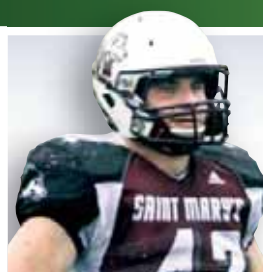
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EVEN AVENGERS NEED TLC

Eden Thomas shines up a restored Grumman TBM Avenger at the Shearwater Aviation Museum on Thursday prior to the official unveiling ceremony. Work on the Avenger has been ongoing for the past year. Story, page 4

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DUI charge for Zinck

Bad week. Former MLA could be in jail for court date

Trevor Zinck is in trouble with the law again — less than a week before he is to be sentenced for his role in the MLA expense scandal.

The former Dartmouth North MLA has been charged with impaired driving after police received a call from a concerned citizen about a possible impaired driver on Highway 107 around 9 p.m. Wednesday.

Thirty minutes later, police say an officer located a vehicle on Franklin Court in Dartmouth, matching the description given to them by the caller.

Zinck was behind the wheel, police say, and was taken into custody and charged with impaired driving and having a blood alcohol level over 80 milligrams.

He will face the charges in Dartmouth provincial court on Nov. 12.

"The report was that there was an individual driving while



Trevor Zinck JEFF HARPER/METRO

impaired," said Halifax Regional Police spokesman Const. Pierre Bourdages.

Zinck, 42, is being sentenced Oct. 9 to fraud over \$5,000 and breach of trust for accepting about \$9,000 from the Speaker's Office to cover constituency expenses in 2008 and 2009, even though he didn't pay those he claimed were owed money, except for a partial amount to one group.

The Crown is seeking up to six months of jail time.

Defence lawyer Lyle Howe confirmed Zinck was charged but said "we're not going to speak about it right now."

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Masked men, one with firearm, break into garage

A man was shaken up but not injured after two masked men, one carrying a firearm, broke into his garage in Beaver Bank on Thursday afternoon.

The robbery happened at about 1:30 p.m. **METRO**

Sunrise Walk area

Man shot in hand in Uniacke Square

Police are investigating a shooting in Uniacke Square on Thursday night.

At around 7:30 p.m., police responded to reports of shots being fired in the area of Sunrise Walk.

The 25-year-old victim was shot at several times, police say, resulting in an injury to his hand.

Police only have a limited description of the shooter — that he was a man with dark hair. **METRO**

Dartmouth area

Gardener held up at gunpoint in own front yard

Police are looking for two men after someone was robbed while outside gardening in front of their Dartmouth-area home.

The victim was outside gardening when police say two men came up to him and said their vehicle had broken down.

One of the men then pointed a gun at the victim, and the two suspects stole the victim's cellphone before running away.

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The Halifax Regional Police headquarters on Gottingen Street on Thursday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Have your say

Halifax Regional Police. Public's input sought on what to improve, change

New territory

"It's the first time something like this has been done with HRP."

Police Chief Jean-Michel Blais



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Halifax Regional Police are looking for information, but this time they're turning to the public on what they need to improve within the force.

On Thursday, HRP launched a program called REenvision, where the police are taking suggestions and concerns for the month of October to help develop a new plan of action.

"We really needed to set a direction for where HRP would be, come 2024," said HRP Police Chief Jean-Michel Blais on Thursday.

Blais said he decided to reach out to the public, as well as HRP employees and stakeholders, because the future can't be decided "in a vacuum."

Anyone can weigh in on topics such as their perception of crime in HRM, the

role police should play in the community, approaches to policing that are working or need improvement and what HRP can do to increase their level of trust with the public.

Blais said people can provide feedback through an online survey at halifax.ca/reenvisionhrp, in Facebook and Twitter discussions, by email or traditional mail.

He said it's important

to have discussions on and about social media, because the police need to be kept up-to-date with technology and how it impacts their work.

Blais said he knows there could be angry responses from people unhappy with the system, but that's not a bad thing because it means something has "gone wrong" and this is a chance to find out why.

"There's going to be more accountability, and there's going to be more oversight that's going to be demanded," Blais said. "That's normal, because we spend a fair amount of the taxpayers' money, and it only makes sense they know that they're getting a good return on investment."

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Beautifully restored Avenger aircraft brings back memories

Navy. Former pilots in attendance at Shearwater Aviation Museum unveiling



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Fourteen months ago, the last of the TBM Avenger aircraft to serve in the Royal Canadian Navy arrived at the Shearwater Aviation Museum clad in orange and white paint, looking — as the curator charitably put it — “retired.”

On Thursday Tanker 23/Navy 303 sat primly outside the museum, gleaming in original Gloss Dark Gray paint and devoid of civilian fittings, its snub snout pointed to the sky as though pleading for one last sortie over the Atlan-



Guests and media check out a newly restored Grumman TBM Avenger at the Shearwater Aviation Museum on Thursday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

tic Ocean.

“Our volunteers ... made it sparkle again and made it a beautiful, beautiful example

of a TBM Avenger,” said Christine Hines at an unveiling of the newly restored aircraft Thursday.

The Grumman TBM Avenger replaced the British Fairey Firefly as the Royal Canadian Navy's aircraft in 1950 and

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“It was a very good, very sturdy aircraft and could take a lot of abuse. It was well suited for its role.”

Former pilot Ken Brown

was modified for anti-submarine duties assumed under the NATO accord of 1949.

Former pilots clustered around Tanker 23 Thursday, reminiscing about adventures and misadventures in the skies above Shearwater and the aircraft carrier HMCS Magnificent.

“You had to be careful on takeoff — there's 1,700 horsepower in that engine, which created quite a torque,” said former pilot Ed Smith, gazing at the squat single-engine aircraft partly credited with winning the Battle of Midway.

Smith, who logged about 500 hours in the Avenger cockpit, drove from Annap-

olis Royal for Tanker 23's unveiling.

“It's very nostalgic,” he said. “It's very, very good to see the aircraft restored and here, as part of our heritage, which will be lost for most of us very soon.”

Hines said the Avenger was the first in a long line of aircraft used to carry out a military duty that Canada still fulfils today.

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Director of recruitment

Official charged with sex offences at Cape Breton University

The director of Cape Breton University's recruitment and marketing division has been charged with three sex offences involving a girl under the age of 16.

John Shea McInnis, 59, is charged with sexual assault, sexual interference and invitation to sexual touching involving a person under the age of 16. The offences are alleged to have occurred between January 2000 and December 2006. The name of the complainant is banned from publication.

McInnis of Beechwood Drive, Glace Bay, was released from custody Wednesday after posting a \$25,000 property surety and agreeing to abide by a host of conditions. McInnis is now scheduled to enter pleas to the charges Nov. 27.

Irene Khattar, the university's director of communication, says McInnis has been suspended with pay for an indefinite period.

"The charges relate to incidents that happened a number of years ago, not on the campus and unrelated to student activities and university business," said Khattar, adding McInnis' duties will be assumed by the deputy director of the section. She said counselling services will be made available to students and faculty who may feel the need to take advantage of such services.

"In the best interests of those concerned, CBU is awaiting an opportunity to meet with the employee and assess course of actions that are respectful to all concerned," said Khattar.

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Tell us all about crime and bad drivers: Take 2

HRM. Municipal officials clarify which phone numbers to use for reporting incidents, information related to crime and bad driving



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HRM officials are taking a Muligan on a request for citizens to report suspicious activity, all crime and bad driving — this time with some extra clarity on which phone number to use.

Information that emerged from a Board of Police Commissioners meeting this summer, and was reported in Metro Halifax, suggested residents could call the non-emergency fire and police dispatch line — 490-5020 — to report incidents of bad driving.

That information wasn't quite correct, and the response from the public, while "encouraging," caught call takers at HRM's dispatch centre off-guard.

"We were getting a bunch of calls on that particular day after the story ran.... I said why are citizens calling 5020?" said John Webber, manager of HRM's Integrated Emergency Services (IES).

The request from RCMP for residents to report chronic speeders or red-light runners was intended to gather data to build a "hot spot" map that will help officers zero in on areas of recurring bad driving.

But 490-5020 is a dispatch



John Webber, operations manager of integrated emergency services at Halifax Regional Police, poses for a photo recently. JEFF HARPER/METRO

line that should be used to report crimes in progress or incidents that require a police response at the scene — not information only, as some well-intentioned citizens discovered.

"Called 490-5020 and they stated that it has to be reported while the 'bad driving' was taking place," said one disenchanted reader via email after trying to report a wayward motorcyclist. "I called (490-5016) and was advised I needed a licence plate and nothing can be done.... I'm afraid the 'bad drivers' will

have to continue unchecked."

The 490-5016 line is specifically for residents to report crimes not in progress or that don't need a police officer at the scene, such as theft from a motor vehicle.

Halifax Regional Police spokesperson Wendy Mansfield said in the wake of the summer confusion, the 5016 phone call takers can now take information-only calls about suspicious activity and bad driving if a resident wants to report it for the Comstat data gathering.

Who to call

- 911 — for imminent danger
- 490-5020 — no imminent danger, but police response required
- 490-5016 — report crime not in progress, or for information

She said online reporting is another ideal avenue for filing that information.

"It's basically for incidents that don't require a police officer to be dispatched to the scene, so it's information gathering," she said, adding information-only reports can be submitted under "message for an officer."

Both Webber and Mansfield said anyone in doubt about which number to call should start with 490-5020, and expect that they may be redirected.

"They're the best line to determine if you need an escalated response or if it is a 5016 call," said Mansfield.

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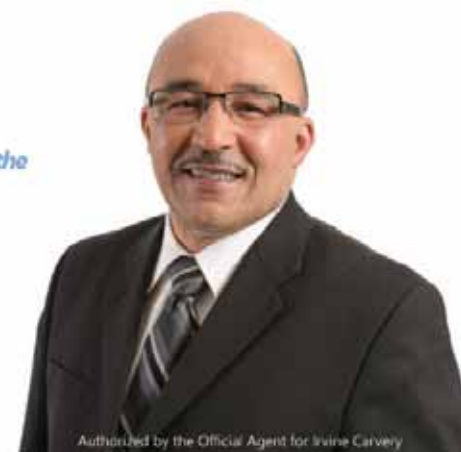
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NDP, Tories on the attack

Election. Front-runner Liberals criticized over economic plan

The NDP and Progressive Conservatives were squarely focused Thursday on the Liberals as the provincial election campaign entered its final days before Tuesday's vote.

Both party leaders took aim at the Liberal plan for jobs and the economy during their campaign events.

Premier Darrell Dexter used the backdrop of a noisy downtown construction site as evidence of his government's record in attracting business, while firing a volley at Liberal Leader Stephen McNeil.

"Almost everywhere you look in Halifax you see building cranes, and the reason for that is because Nova Scotia has

Tories promise

The Tories are promising to cut the HST by two percentage points while balancing the budget in the four years of a mandate.



Stephen McNeil JEFF HARPER/METRO

become a place for people to invest," said Dexter.

McNeil has been critical of what he says are corporate giveaways by the NDP, particularly its \$260-million forgivable loan to the Irving Shipyard in Halifax to help it prepare for the \$25-billion federal shipbuilding contract.

The Liberal leader has promised to do away with forgivable loans and says the province should be the lender of last resort.

But Dexter said the competitive global economy means Nova Scotia has to fight to attract business and that's what his government has done through its incentive programs. He said without the programs,

businesses wouldn't have come to the province.

Dexter also took a jab at McNeil's decision Thursday to visit two companies that have received government funding.

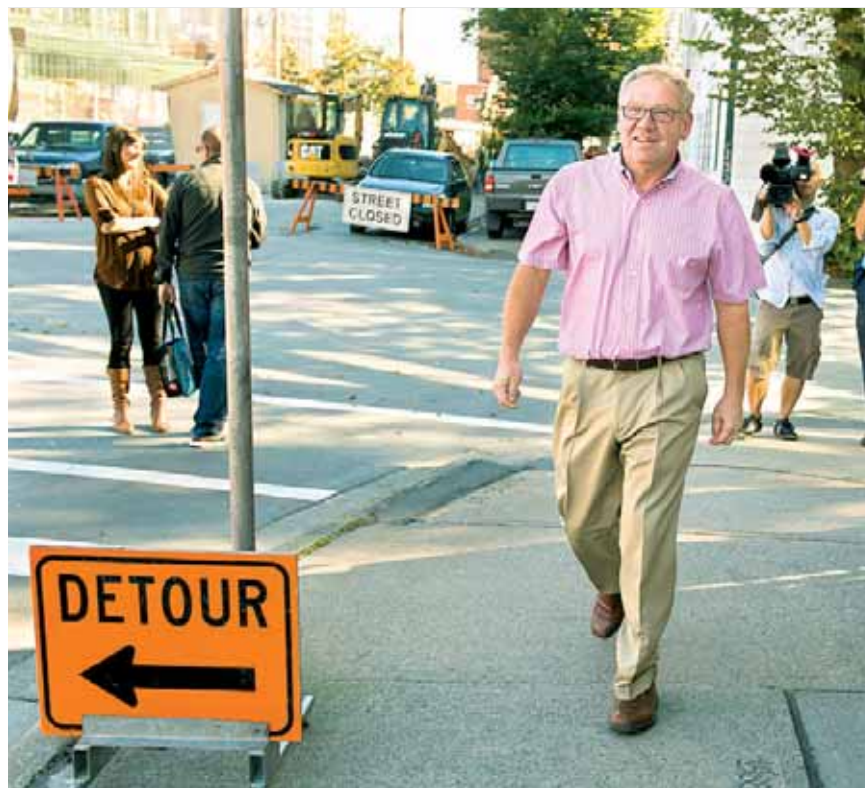
"I think it's ironic that Mr. McNeil is at LED Roadway Lighting and at Scotsburn (Dairy) — both companies where incentives and government assistance have been used to create good jobs for this province."

Progressive Conservative Leader Jamie Baillie also trained his sights on the Liberals, saying that party won't offer taxpayers immediate relief from the 15 per cent harmonized sales tax because its promise to bring down the tax is contingent on balancing the books — something the Liberals have not committed to.

McNeil dismissed attacks from the NDP that he won't fight for jobs and from the Tories that he's committed to taxes and job losses as signs his opponents are running out of ideas.

"You can argue my public policy positions and that's fair game, but I think anyone running for public office is trying to do the best they can for the province," said McNeil.

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Premier Darrell Dexter campaigns in downtown Halifax on Thursday. The Nova Scotia election is Tuesday.

ANDREW VAUGHAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Main political parties get poor health-care grades

A day after being graded on environmental policies and performance, Nova Scotia's political parties have been graded on health care issues.

The Nova Scotia Citizen's Health Care Network gave the NDP a grade of C+, the Liberals a C, and the Progressive Conservatives a D-. The Green Party

received a B.

The parties were graded on their platforms and responses to a questionnaire. They were also graded in six key areas, including opposition to privatization, health delivery and pharmacare. Grades in those areas ranged from the Greens' A for patient-centred care and

explicitly opposing privatization, to the Liberals' and Tories' F for their privatization policies.

"Most parties have missed key opportunities to improve quality and access to care," said chair Lee Seymour in a release. "We hope that this report card serves as a wake-up call to seize the low hanging fruit." METRO

Acute, long-term care nurses reach deal offering wage hikes

About 6,000 nurses in Nova Scotia have reached a two-year tentative agreement that would provide them wage increases.

The Nova Scotia Nurses' Union says the deal with employers for acute and long-term care nurses concluded late Wednesday.

Results?

The union says it hopes to release the results of a ratification vote on Nov. 13.

Janet Hazelton, the president of the union, says the

settlement offers annual wage hikes of 2.5 and three per cent.

Hazelton says the deal also ensures that nurses can have a dialogue with their employers on issues that affect their workload.

This contract is retroactive to November 2012 and would expire on Oct. 31, 2014. METRO

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Deep Panuke. Failure to conduct inspections cause of fire: Report

The underlying reason behind an electrical fire that broke out earlier this year aboard the Deep Panuke offshore natural gas project was negligence of annual maintenance inspections, an interim report says.

The report, obtained under federal access-to-information law, says the project was supposed to undergo yearly tests to detect heat coming off electrical equipment and connections. But SBM Offshore, the Dutch-based owner of the offshore platform, did not carry out those tests prior to the Jan. 19 fire, the report says.

"The existing maintenance program ... includes annual thermography testing as well as low resistance (ductor) testing and other checks such as visuals every five years," says the report, dated six days after the fire.

"At the time of the event, none of the annual inspections were conducted (root cause)."

The report also says inspectors found high-resistance connections and "several instances

SBM Offshore comment

Anne Guerin-Moens, a spokeswoman for SBM Offshore, declined an interview request. But in an email she said the fire was reported to and examined in detail by the board.

of loose control wiring" in the equipment after the fire. It says high-resistance connections can cause "significant temperature increases which can lead to equipment damage and fires."

The report was submitted by Encana, the project operator, in collaboration with SBM Offshore. It was approved by the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Board, which regulates the province's offshore energy industry.

Firefighters extinguished the fire when it broke out aboard the platform, which is located 250 kilometres south-east of Halifax. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Pro-choice proponents crash pro-life rally

Pro-choice advocates, left, showed up to protest a pro-life rally in front of Province House on Thursday. The pro-life supporters were rallying to try and make their issue an election issue. **JEFF HARPER/METRO**

Chapter opens

Halifax school board welcomes new superintendent

Former teacher, vice-principal and senior staff advisor Elwin LeRoux has been named as

the new superintendent of the Halifax Regional School Board.

Originally from Glace Bay, LeRoux served with the HRSB for the past 24 years and lives in Fall River with his family.

"Elwin is very interested in how students learn and he is enthusiastic about how we can use technology to engage

and educate them. He is absolutely the best candidate, period," said HRSB chair Gin Yee in a release.

LeRoux has an undergraduate science degree from St. Francis Xavier University, plus three degrees in education from Saint Mary's University.

"I look forward to working

with our staff, students and the communities we serve to build on the many strengths of our school system," LeRoux said.

He replaces Carole Olsen, who resigned in August 2012. Judy White served as an interim superintendent for the past 13 months. **METRO**



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Maritime Steel. Investor hoping to restart beleaguered business

If Abbas Jafarnia gets his way, Maritime Steel may soon operate in New Glasgow and not move to Niagara Falls.

In the latest attempt to restart the century-old foundry, a new, unnamed potential investor has come forward and has offered, according to Jafarnia, a contract worth \$15 million.

"After the story was in The News to move the facility to Niagara Falls, someone contacted me with the offer," said the Maritime Steel Foundry Ltd. owner.

With a new investor in place, he's hoping to get new orders going and Maritime Steel employees back to work. While Niagara Falls was an option, he'd rather keep the foundry here.

"Generally speaking as a business it's better to stay than go. But when there was too much resistance, our next option was to move the facility," Jafarnia said. "We did the arrangements and everything was in line about a month

Non-payment

- Public records of Nova Scotia's Registry of Joint Stock Companies show that the registration of Maritime Steel Foundry Limited was revoked for non-payment of the company's annual registration fee on June 6.

ago (to move to Ontario) but we had a new interested party who came and we're going to try and do the job here."

Getting back to business is proving challenging, however. The foundry's approval to operate from Nova Scotia Environment expired and must be renewed to begin operations again. This involves a public consultation and 60-day review period.

Jafarnia said he was hoping to get things moving and considers this the latest hurdle of many from the government.

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Demonic clown just part of the haunted fun

Mike MacGillivray makes some final adjustments in the Haunted House at Alderney Landing on Thursday. The haunted house opens for its first weekend of the year on Friday night. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Dartmouth

Man severely beaten in building

A man lost consciousness after being severely beaten by someone he let into his Dartmouth apartment on Wednesday night.

Halifax Regional Police say the incident happened around 9:30 p.m. on Caledonia Road.

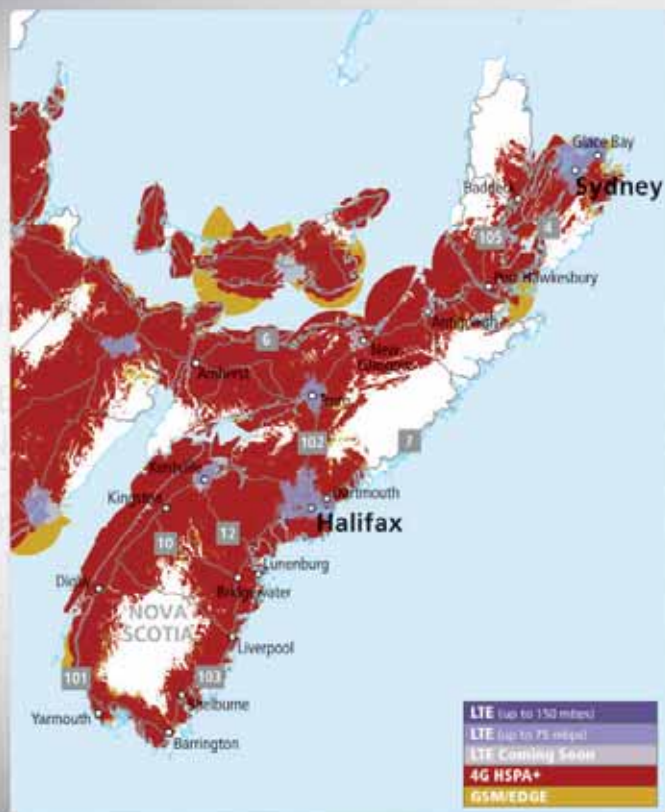
The 59-year-old victim tells police he let someone into his apartment he thought he knew, and was then assaulted. METRO

Clayton Park

Man masturbates in front of jogger

Police are looking for a man who pulled up alongside a female jogger in Clayton Park three different times, and then pointed towards himself masturbating.

The incident happened around 4 p.m. on Wednesday as the jogger was running along Parkland Drive and Kearney Lake Road. The man didn't say anything, and she wasn't hurt. METRO



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Doc proves poop pills not a load of crap

Not ready for mass production. Each patient administered own set of capsules

Forget the enema bag and the tube that snakes down the throat to the intestines. The future of treatment for persistent *C. difficile* infections

may come in pill form.

A Calgary doctor who has been treating difficult-to-cure *C. difficile* for years with fecal transplants is reporting he has created what are in essence poop pills — and they do the trick.

Infectious diseases expert Dr. Tom Louie, a pioneer in the use of fecal transplants for *C. difficile* in Canada, has treated 27 patients with his

handmade pills, and all 27 were cleared of their infections.

"They came in for lunch on an empty stomach ... and took 24 to 30 pills on average," Louie, said of the regimen, which he described to fellow scientists at the ID-Week conference in San Francisco on Thursday.

Louie, who teaches at the University of Calgary, said he

saw no side effects, and the regime was well tolerated by patients.

Louie said he is working with collaborators in Britain to try to determine which bacteria are key to re-establishing a healthy balance in the gut, with the aim of moving to a pill treatment that wouldn't have to be tailor-made for each patient.

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Dr. Thomas Louie with stool pills in his lab in Calgary. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Heroin for some addicts. Ottawa closes 'loopholes' in special access program

Health Minister Rona Ambrose says she's banning certain drugs from a federal special access program.

They will include products containing heroin, unauthorized forms of cocaine and other restricted drugs, such as ecstasy and LSD.

Ambrose says those drugs won't be authorized for patients under new regulations that take effect immediately.

She says the ban won't affect clinical trials or university research.

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The program

The special access program is designed to let patients in exceptional cases get medications normally not allowed in Canada.

- The Conservatives are using the heroin issue as a fundraising platform, saying the NDP and Liberals would make the program permanent if elected in 2015.

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Proposed pot tax too steep?

A marijuana activist checks IDs and hands out free marijuana joints Wednesday at a rally outside a pro pot-tax fundraiser in Denver. The rally criticized Colorado's proposed 25 per cent tax on recreational marijuana as too steep. Retail pot sales are set to begin in Colorado on Jan. 1. BRENNAN LINSLE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



A wrecked Capitol Police car blocks the street following a shooting on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C., on Thursday.
CHARLES DHARAPAK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Woman shot dead in D.C. ramming spree

White House to Capitol Hill. Driver tried to break through security with an infant inside the vehicle

A woman with a year-old child led Secret Service and police on a harrowing car chase from the White House past the Capitol on Thursday, attempting to penetrate the security barriers at both national landmarks before she was shot to death, police said. The child survived.

"I'm pretty confident this was not an accident," said Metropolitan Police Chief Cathy Lanier. Still, Capitol Police said there appeared to be

no terrorist link.

The woman was apparently unarmed.

Tourists, congressional staff and even some senators watched as a caravan of law-enforcement vehicles chased a car down the street outside the Capitol.

House and Senate lawmakers, inside debating how to end a government shutdown, briefly shuttered their chambers as Capitol Police shut down the building.

The woman's car at one point had been surrounded by police cars and she managed to escape, careening around a traffic circle and past the north side of the Capitol.

Video shot by a TV camera-

Police open fire

"There were multiple shots fired, and the air was filled with gunpowder."

Witness Berin Szoka, whose office overlooks the shooting scene

man showed police pointing firearms at her car before she rammed a Secret Service vehicle and continued driving.

Lanier said police shot and killed her a block northeast of the historic building.

One Secret Service member and a veteran of the Capitol Police were injured.

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Arctic. Russia restoring Siberian military base to protect shipping routes

President Vladimir Putin pledged Thursday that Russia will expand its presence in the Arctic, adding that work is underway to restore a major Soviet-era military base there.

Speaking at a meeting with activists of the main Kremlin party, United Russia, Putin said the Arctic region is essential for Russia's economic and security interests.

Putin said the Russian military has been restoring a Soviet-era military base on the New Siberian Islands;



Russia's Vladimir Putin GETTY IMAGES

key for protecting shipping routes that link Europe with the Pacific region across the Arctic. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Athens, Greece

Golden Dawn leaders held

The head of Greece's Nazi-inspired Golden Dawn party and one of his parliamentarians were locked up in a maximum-security Athens prison Thursday.

Judges ordered their

detention pending trial on charges of running a criminal organization.

Nikos Michaloliakos and Yiannis Lagos will be held in a secluded section of a prison. There are widespread accusations the party organizes attacks on immigrants, political opponents and gay people.

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Hundreds dead or missing as migrant ship sinks off Italy

Italy. Boat carried hundreds from Eritrea, Ghana and Somalia; only three of the 100 women were rescued, no children

It was the third ship of the night to head toward the tiny Italian island of Lampedusa packed to the brim with migrants seeking a better life in Europe. The first, filled with Syrians, arrived about 10 p.m. The second, carrying Eritreans, slipped in at 2 a.m. The third never reached the shore.

At least 114 people died

'Only the strongest survived'

"We need only caskets, certainly not ambulances." Pietro Bartolo, chief of Lampedusa health services.



A man is carried off an ambulance at a hospital, after being rescued. ALESSANDRO FUCARINI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

and at least 200 were still unaccounted for late Thursday after a crowded fishing boat carrying African migrants from Tripoli caught fire, flipped over and sank.

In the dark of night, hundreds of men, women and children who didn't know how to swim were flung into the sea about

a half-mile from Lampedusa. Between 450 and 500 people were believed to be on board; only 159 were rescued.

After the boat started taking on water, someone on board set a fire to get the attention of passing ships. The flames spread and panicked passengers surged to

one side to avoid the fire. The 20 metre vessel the capsized.

Pietro Bartolo, of Lampedusa, said the death toll would certainly rise as search operations continued. "It's an immense tragedy," said Giusi Nicolini, mayor of Lampedusa.

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No plans to legalize assisted suicide: Ambrose

Health Minister Rona Ambrose says she is willing to talk to her provincial and territorial counterparts about assisted suicide, but insists Ottawa has no plans to legalize it.

Ambrose made the comments in Toronto where she is expected to meet with the other health ministers Friday.

Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne said last week that Canadians need to have a con-

versation about the emotionally charged subject, whether the feds want to deal with the issue or not. The subject came up recently after a plea for change from a dying doctor.

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Calif. man charged in drug-dealing website

'Dread Pirate Roberts'
Cops swept down on 29-year-old Ross William Ulbricht while on his laptop in a library

FBI agents found him in the science-fiction section of a small branch of the San Francisco public library, chatting

online.

The man known as Dread Pirate Roberts — 29-year-old Ross William Ulbricht — was on his personal laptop Tuesday afternoon, authorities said, talking about the vast black market bazaar that is believed to have brokered more than \$1 billion in transactions for illegal drugs and services.

When a half-dozen FBI agents burst into the library in

a quiet, blue-collar neighbourhood, they abruptly ended Ulbricht's conversation with a co-operating witness, pinned the Austin, Texas, native to a floor-to-ceiling window and then took him off to jail, law enforcement and library spokeswomen said.

Ulbricht was later charged in criminal complaints in federal courts in New York and Maryland. He's accused

of making millions of dollars operating the secret Silk Road website and of a failed murder-for-hire scheme, all while living with two roommates whom he paid \$1,000 to rent a room in a modest neighbourhood.

Federal authorities shut down the website.

Ulbricht has not entered pleas to any of his charges.

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This frame grab from the Silk Road website shows thumbnails for products allegedly available through the site. SILKROADDRUGS.ORG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

YouTube

Dramatic quitter gets talk-show offer

A University of Missouri graduate who used a dance video to quit her job with a Taiwanese company has gotten an offer to work on the website of a daytime talk show. Marina Shifrin became an Internet sensation after her choreographed performance to Kanye West's 'Gone' was posted on YouTube.

She was a guest Thursday on Queen Latifah's talk show. The host asked Shifrin if she wanted to work as a digital-content producer on her website.

At first Shifrin thought Latifah was joking, but the host insisted she was serious. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Resto serves wafers

Would you like some salvation with that?

A Chicago restaurant has cooked up a controversial burger of the month, garnishing it with an unconsecrated communion wafer and a red wine reduction sauce. Kuma's Corner, a foodie destination with just a few tables, names its hamburgers after heavy-metal bands. For October, they chose to name the burger after Swedish band Ghost. Members of the band dress in religious robes and wear skeleton face makeup.

It's in poor taste, said Jeff Young of New Orleans who runs the blog Catholic Foodie. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Banksy does New York City

A man photographs a new Banksy work on a side of a wall Thursday in New York City. New work by the mysterious British street artist Banksy has appeared there after he announced a month-long stay. Two of them were quickly vandalized. SPENCER PLATT/GETTY IMAGES

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Peace activist Audrey Tobias, 89, steps out of a Toronto court to speak with journalists Thursday. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Census protester won't back down, pleads not guilty

'I am ashamed of my prime minister.'
89-year-old objects to U.S. company's involvement in Canadian process; Crown says no lawful excuse for refusal

A defiant octogenarian pleaded not guilty Thursday to criminal charges arising out of her refusal to fill out the 2011 census, and said she would not pay any fine if convicted.

Audrey Tobias, 89, of Toronto, told an Ontario court she agreed with the aims of the census, but objected to the involvement of American arms behemoth Lockheed Martin.

"When I learned that the contract for the information technology was being given to a foreign company, I was shocked," Tobias testified.

"I am ashamed of my prime minister ... who ultimately made the decision. Because of that, I couldn't fill it in."

Tobias is charged with violating the Statistics Act.

The defence maintained

that forcing her to complete the census would violate her freedoms of conscience and free expression.

Judge Ramez Khawly was clearly skeptical as lawyer Peter Rosenthal made his arguments, and wondered aloud what would happen if the court sent a "signal" that it was OK to opt out of the census.

The Crown said Tobias had no lawful excuse for her refusal.

Tobias said she was unconcerned about the consequences of a conviction, which carries a maximum three months in prison. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Two Canadians, entire Greenpeace crew charged

Two Canadians are among those facing prosecution after Russian investigators say they charged the entire crew of the Greenpeace ship Arctic Sunrise with piracy for a protest at a Russian oil platform.

The crew includes Alexandre Paul of Montreal and Paul Ruzyski of Port Colborne, Ont., and the charge they both face can result in a 15-year prison term upon conviction.

Greenpeace denies any wrongdoing and describes the charges as absurd. The mother of one of the Canadians says they make no sense.

"I think we can agree that piracy involves weapons and taking control of another vessel. Greenpeace did nothing like that," Paul's mother, Nicole Paul, said in a phone interview from Pike River,



In this photo taken on Wednesday, the Russian Investigative Committee inspects the Arctic Sunrise near Murmansk, Russia.

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Nicole Paul said her son has travelled the globe the last seven years to defend his ideals and that he once spent a night in prison in Scotland before being released without charge.

"Nothing has ever happened like this. They're being treated like terrorists."

She said the activists were

protesting peacefully.

In Russia, the Investigative Committee said in a statement that the piracy charge was filed Thursday against 16 members of the crew, including a prominent Russian freelance photographer. The crew's other 14 members were similarly charged Wednesday.

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Cyber attacks

13 members of Anonymous indicted

A federal grand jury has indicted 13 members of the Internet hacking group Anonymous for allegedly carrying out cyber attacks against websites worldwide.

The members are accused of targeting governments, law firms, financial institutions and other institutions.

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North of Toronto

Police investigate after 6 severed cat heads found

Cat owners in a community north of Toronto are being warned to keep their pets indoors after a number of severed cat heads were found.

York Regional Police said Thursday there have been six recent incidents in Whitchurch-Stouffville where heads and, in one case, other body parts of

a dismembered cat were found in public locations.

Investigators don't know what the motive behind the dismemberments could be, said Const. Andy Pattenden.

But he said it's believed the dismemberments were done intentionally, adding the heads were all placed within a one-kilometre area in residential neighbourhoods.

The first incident was reported Aug. 12 when a head and two legs were found near a daycare centre.

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Gambling group goes all in with online ads

Not ready to fold 'em just yet. Internet poker has been outlawed in the U.S. since 2011, but the casino lobby is betting that can be changed

The thriller *Runner Runner* starring Justin Timberlake and

Ben Affleck opens this weekend and it's already in the centre of the fight over U.S. online gambling regulation.

It might be news to Timberlake and Affleck, but the stars of gambling flick were playing key roles in the fight over online gambling regulation Thursday, before the movie even hit screens.

The American Gambling Association has bought ads on

Looking for new players

"Casino operators now hope to expand another key demographic to their base: young people."

The Stop Predatory Gambling Foundation, on why the AGA is lobbying to legalize online poker, popular with the college set

major websites including Twit-

ter, Facebook and the IMDb movie database framing the film as a "cautionary tale" that points to the need for Congress to legalize online poker. The ads also pop up when people Google the movie's title.

The screenwriters have said their story of a young gambler pulled into the criminal dealings of an offshore poker site was never intended as a political parable. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Runner Runner, starring Ben Affleck, right, and Justin Timberlake, is not a political parable, say the gambling flick's screenwriters. 20TH CENTURY FOX/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

That'll teach them?

Students, prof strip to protest new dress code

Students and a professor at a university in southern Hungary took off their clothes in class to protest the new dress code introduced by the institution's president.

The protest was prompted by rules announced this week including a ban on dresses showing too much cleavage, miniskirts, excessive makeup and flip-flops.

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Gay rights issue

Girl, 18, pleads guilty to sex with girlfriend, 14

A teen, 18, accused of having sex with her underage girlfriend, 14, Thursday pleaded no contest — essentially conceding the charges without admitting guilt.


Civil and gay rights groups say the teen is being punished for behaviour that occurs at schools across the U.S. without resulting in criminal charges.

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Pope follows in the footsteps of the Franciscan friars

Sandals in a style worn by Franciscan friars are displayed for sale in a shop on October 3 in Assisi, Italy. Pope Francis is taking his vision of a church for the poor to the birthplace of his namesake, the Catholic saint who made solidarity with the destitute the focus of his mission. The Pope was set to travel Friday to the Italian hilltop town of Assisi to pray at the tomb of St. Francis and to deliver a much-anticipated speech on his vision for the Roman Catholic Church. **MARCO SECCHI/GETTY IMAGES**




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Personnel from RAF 617 squadron based at Lossiemouth, Scotland, take part in War Week Mission Rehearsal Exercise, in preparation for their final Afghanistan deployment. The international community is wondering what Afghanistan will look like after next year's elections. JEFF J. MITCHELL/GETTY IMAGES

Former warlords to run in Afghan election

After Hamid Karzai.

Candidate claims he can unite ethnic groups in war-torn country

Two former Afghan warlords announced Thursday that they will share a ticket — one for president, the other for vice-president — in next year's elections, a vote that will help shape the country's future following the departure of foreign combat troops.

Abdul Rab Rasoul Sayyaf, an influential lawmaker and religious scholar, registered his

candidacy for the presidency for the April 5 election.

Another former warlord, former energy and water minister Ismail Khan, will run as Sayyaf's first vice-president, and a little-known member of Afghanistan's upper house, Abdul Wahab Irfan, as second vice-president.

"We will move to unite Afghanistan. If the nation is together and has the same voice, problems can be solved," Sayyaf said.

Registration expires Oct. 6, and four presidential candidates and their respective vice-presidents have signed up so far.

Healing process

"We will move to unite Afghanistan. If the nation is together ... problems can be solved."

Lawmaker and former warlord Abdul Rab Rasoul Sayyaf

The most prominent is former foreign minister Abdullah Abdullah, who was the runner-up to President Hamid Karzai in the 2009 elections and dropped out just ahead of a runoff vote following allegations of massive fraud in the first round.

Karzai can't run for a third

consecutive term and has not yet endorsed anyone. There are no clear favourites, but speculation in recent days has focused on Foreign Minister Zalmay Rassoul, who may wind up as a consensus candidate, and Karzai's older brother Quayum, who is a businessman and politician.

Billions of dollars in funds pledged to Afghanistan are tied to the government's holding transparent and credible elections, a challenge in a country rife with patronage and corruption and a resilient Taliban insurgency. The Taliban do not recognize the election process.

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Vivien Lake: Making a true impact



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Sitting on a mat on the floor in a quiet room in Keshen Goodman Public Library, a captive audience of two patiently listens to a young girl read.

It's slow, repetitive, and one of the listeners inevitably falls asleep.

"Poochie!" says volunteer Vivien Lake, startling awake the little Shih Tzu.

"Can you believe what she just read?"

It's Saturday morning and Lake is helping seven-year-old Esther Moon work her way through a book, unsurprisingly about dogs. Lake is one of eight volunteers in HRM who help out with the Paws To Read program, which offers trained dogs as listening partners for children who find reading a struggle.

And while the dog is in-

evitably the star, it's really Lake who makes the true impact.

"The dog is not judgemental," Lake said. "So the child will be reading and maybe having trouble with a word, and I'll say, 'Poochie didn't quite hear that word ... could you maybe say that again?' Or 'Poochie didn't understand that word ... can you tell him?'"

Many kids pat the dog as they read and are rewarded for their good work with a game or a doggy high-five after the half-hour session. The program runs for five weeks, but Moon's mother Heyjung Cho wishes it was longer. Hailing from South Korea, her two daughters Esther and Emily need some extra help reading.

Lake is "very kind and always tries to understand my kids," Cho said. "She speaks slowly."

A volunteer with the program since 2007, Lake

started with her Dalmatian Zorro. It was a devastating blow when Zorro died just before Christmas 2012. But there were many kids signed up for Paws To Read in both Spryfield and Clayton Park the following month and Lake started taking Poochie. A trained dog under Therapeutic Paws of Canada, Poochie actually belongs to a new mother who didn't have time to volunteer anymore.

"I know it's only a dog, but I thought it would be a way to honour Zorro's memory by continuing on with Paws To Read with Poochie."

Lake said volunteering with Paws To Read combines her favourite things — reading, dogs and kids.

"It's very gratifying for me to see a child at the start barely reading and then at the end of five weeks, they're not running off the encyclopedia or anything, but they're becoming more functional readers."



Vivien Lake sits with Poochie outside the Keshen Goodman Public Library. CONTRIBUTED

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Rdio launches free mobile listening

Digital music service Rdio launched its free Internet radio service in the U.S. and Canada on Thursday. For now, the app that works on Apple and Android devices won't play ads between the songs that are randomly picked based on genres, artists, songs or albums.

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BlackBerry

Rogers decides not to carry Z30

BlackBerry's latest device will arrive in Canadian stores later this month, but it won't have the support of one of the country's largest carriers. Rogers' decision not to stock the Z30 touch-screen model, which will become available in Canada on Oct. 15, comes as a surprise.

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From left, the stars of YouTube channels CTFXC, Charlie Is So Cool Like and Daily Grace. YOUTUBE CREENGRAHS

YouTube gets a film fest

Social media. Buffer Festival aims to bring together web-video stars for inaugural bash

Just weeks after some of Hollywood's biggest names cleared town at the end of the Toronto International Film Festival, the city will soon be host to another barrage of visiting filmmakers attending a multi-day festival. This one is dedicated to the art of YouTube.

The inaugural Buffer Festival, which highlights the work of some of the top creators on Google's video streaming website, comes to Toronto on Nov.

8 and runs for three days.

While not household names, the creators behind the YouTube channels CTFXC, Charlie Is So Cool Like, DailyGrace, The Fine Brothers, Jack's Films, Mystery-GuitarMan, Prank vs Prank, Schmoeyoho, IISuperwomanII and What the Buck? each have more than one million subscribers who have signed up to see everything they post online.

"In 2011, YouTube was definitely something that everyone knew about, but I think in 2013 it's something that everybody not only knows about but is starting to respect and the public is starting to become aware of what

a YouTube celebrity is," said St. Catharines, Ont., native Corey Vidal, whose company ApprenticeA Productions is spearheading the festival.

"They know about people like Jenna Marbles and Ray William Johnson, whose names are entering the mainstream, people know that people are building careers off of YouTube."

Vidal is a YouTube veteran himself. He unofficially launched his YouTube career back in 2006 and went pro in 2008, after creating a viral hit with an a cappella tribute to composer John Williams and Star Wars, which is at 18.6 million hits and counting.

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LIFE HAPPENS BETWEEN COMMERCIALS

It's time to gather around the virtual water cooler for this week's Metro List. Here goes:

1 Shutdown rerun. Is the U.S. government really shut down, or is this just an uncanny re-enactment of a 2003 episode of *The West Wing*, called, naturally, *Shutdown*? Let's hope life imitates art and they get this thing solved before the commercial break.

2 True patriot love for everyone. Not just all "thy sons," as in O Canada. Prominent Canadians Margaret Atwood and former PM-for-a-day Kim Campbell want to change the national anthem to "true patriot love in all of us command." Benefits: gender neutrality and one less "thy." Drawbacks: it still doesn't make much sense.

3 Speaking of patriots. The author of *The Hunt for Red October* and *Patriot Games* may have died this week at 66, but Tom Clancy the brand lives on. His 17th novel, *Command Authority*, is due out in time for Christmas, and there's a new movie — *Shadow One* — featuring his main character, Jack



THE METRO LIST
Paul Sullivan

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Ryan, due for release at the same time. The former insurance salesman had 100 million books in print and left a fortune worth \$300 million on the strength of a single plot line: America wins. It's fiction, after all.

4 50 shades of red in the face. Believe it or not, 52,500 people (so far) have signed a petition protesting the selection of screen newcomers Dakota Johnson and Charlie Hunnam to play the heroine and hero of lurid bondage fantasy *50 Shades of Grey*, preferring Alexis Bledel and Matt Bomer instead. Whoever they are. Fans have even put together fake trailers of the two in the lead roles. Alexis Bledel is reported to be flattered and more than a little freaked out to be so

honoured. Imagine how Dakota and Charlie feel: What, we're not kinky enough?

5 Jacques Parizeau, enlightenment philosopher. Even the politically tone-deaf Parti Québécois must realize it's in trouble when the party's notorious grouch emeritus gives

thumbs-down to the proposed charter banning religious dress such as burkas and paraphernalia such as kirpans from the public-service workplace. Even he, who once blamed "ethnic votes" for losing an election, says it goes too far. Although Parizeau is a former PQ premier, that doesn't cut any ice with party brass, who are all shrugging in harmony. They'll "consider" his comments, says a spokesperson, as well as the other 25,000 comments left on the PQ website.

6 Well, she's, like, really old or something. It says something about our health-care system when a hospital sends a 90-year-old blind woman home in a taxi in a rain storm, wrapped in a bed sheet, dressed only in her PJs and slippers, bleeding and alone at 2:30 a.m. Something that cannot be repeated in a family newspaper. B.C.'s Premier Christy Clark expressed concern and Fraser Health authority has apologized to Vivian Fitzpatrick, but really? They should be made to eat hospital food after awakening her at that hour for no reason at all.



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Shoo, fly, don't bother me



ALBERTO GHIZZI PANIZZA/SOLENT

Damselflies hold legs in cute picture

These vividly coloured damselflies look like they are on a romantic date, seemingly holding each other while cuddling up with a flower.

Italian photographer Alberto Ghizzi Panizza spotted these cute insects near the River Po in the Po Valley, Italy. He took shots of the damselflies shortly after dawn as they rested on wild flowers. **METRO**

Q and A

'Jostling for a position to rest'



ALBERTO GHIZZI PANIZZA
Photographer, 38,
from Parma, Italy

What is their normal behaviour?
They rest alone on flowers to dry their wings, which get

covered in early-morning dew, so the insects are in fact competing for rights to that resting spot. They look like they are affectionately holding "hands" but in truth the bugs are just jostling for a position to rest.

What does the photograph have to tell us?
Beneath every wildlife photograph is the message that we should always respect nature.

This is a bug's life

- There are 5,000 species of Odonata (damselflies and dragonflies) — the scientific name meaning 'toothed ones' due to the insects' mandibles. They are carnivorous and hunt spiders and tiny fish.
- Odonata look the same as they did in the Jurassic era, about 135 million years ago.

Clickbait



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Welcome to Canada Rdio. Er, I mean welcome to Canada free Rdio. With its launch into Canadians' smartphones (Apple and Android only; sorry, BlackBerry users), we've dug up what else is out there for your mobile streaming needs — that you haven't already discovered.

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Easytune:

Finally something for the BlackBerry user (Hello? Hello? Are you still out there?). Easytune is a free download that lets users stream their favourite jams, create playlists and share with pals. It's relatively new, so give 'em a break while they work out their kinks.

Twitter

@metropicks asked: Have you read Sinead O'Connor's advice to Miley Cyrus? Who else do you think should mentor her?

@buzzbishop: Going to go out on a limb here, but how about ... her parents?

@shillelaghsphub: Dean West - the boot camp drill sergeant from Maury for sure lol!

@caitedge: maybe she just needs less people telling her what she needs

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Synopsis

This is a spacey story about medical engineer Dr. Ryan Stone (Sandra Bullock) and astronaut Matt Kowalsky (George Clooney). She's an uptight novice; he's a wisecracking vet on his final mission. It's routine stuff until a debris storm, comprised of bits and pieces of old satellites, crashes into their space shuttle. Stone is knocked "off structure" and drifting through the inky darkness while Kowalsky uses his experience and calm to rescue her. The storm has also knocked their communications offline and they are forced to become Space MacGyvers in order to survive.

- Richard: ●●●●●
- Mark: ●●●●●



Sandra Bullock is an uptight novice who gets into serious trouble in *Gravity*. CONTRIBUTED

Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN



Gravity. A story of isolation is couched in beautiful cinematography

Richard: Mark, *Gravity* is an ambitious film. From a technical point of view it's a wild outer space adventure, but it is grounded by Ryan Stone's personal story and her search to find meaning in her life. It's not an epic like *2001: A Space Odyssey* or an outright horror film like *Alien*. There are no monsters or face hugging ETs. It's not even a movie about life or death. Instead it is a life-affirming movie about the will to survive.

What did you think?

Mark: Richard, I think the movie is about our deepest fear: the fear of being alone. Sandra Bullock is literally adrift and detached from everything and the effect is powerful. It may take place in space but reminded me of films like *Castaway* and *127 Hours*.

RC: It does have a lot in common with those movies, plus some mind-bending special effects. The isolation of space is well portrayed, the "off structure" sequences are tense and effective and the shots of Bullock drifting in the inky darkness or floating through her space shuttle

are beautiful, like interstellar ballet. As effective as the human story is in *Gravity*, however, I could almost imagine turning the sound down and being content to just watch the pictures. Like *Laser Floyd* in *Space*. What did you think of Bullock?

MB: She was great; very moving. But it's the cinematography that's the real star. Pure visual poetry. If there were ever a movie that deserved to be seen in 3D IMAX this is it. But the music was kind of overwrought, wasn't it?

RC: It's strange, but I don't really remember the music. There is no sound in space,

I guess. For me the movie is all about the visual beauty. The 17-minute-long uninterrupted shot that starts the film is spectacular and overall the look will make your eyeballs dance, although I wonder though if it isn't just a bit too in love with its technique in places. There's a scene where we see Bullock reflected in one of her own, gravity free, tears. It's a great image but one that feels a bit too clever. It was one of the few times in the film that I thought I was watching a special effect.

MB: I noticed the tears too, although I was just grateful she didn't have a runny nose.

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Machete Kills, but Machete also golfs and rescues dogs

Danny Trejo. Despite his rough exterior, this character actor is just a big old teddy bear

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When Hollywood needs someone to play a badass Mexican, the only guy to call is Danny Trejo.

With his craggy face, pony tail and chest tattoo of a sombrero-clad woman, he's the kind of hombre that would make plump pasty Gringos run back to the border on those loco toe-dipping trips to Tijuana.

And he doesn't just have the look for these roles, he's got the resumé too. Highlights include past drug addiction and multiple stints in prison. He spent time in San Quentin in the 1960s and at one point during

a riot threw a rock that struck a prison official — during that time a gas chamber offence.

But he's come a long way from those dark days. The sequel to *Machete* — his first leading-role film — hits theatres next Friday.

Machete Kills sees Trejo (a.k.a. Machete) in the employ of the quippy U.S. President (Charlie Sheen). His mission? To shut down a psycho billionaire arms dealer (Mel Gibson) intent on blowing up the world.

A 12-step program followed by a series of serendipitous events led Trejo to this new life — it's a change he attributes to the "grace of God."

"Every morning I wake up is an absolute blessing and every night I go to bed is an absolute blessing," he says in a phone interview from his home in L.A.'s San Fernando Valley.

At 69 years old, Trejo's interests have moved from prison brawling to golf and his rescue dogs.

Today, he's supervising a

Giving thanks

"Every morning I wake up is an absolute blessing and every night I go to bed is an absolute blessing."

Danny Trejo reflecting on his life

team of workers who are installing a driving range in his backyard.

"I'm doing a sitcom with George Lopez right now called *Saint George* and he gave me a set of golf clubs so it's like, 'Let's learn how to golf,'" he says.

There's a pause, a crash and raucous barking.

"HEY! YOU STOP THAT."

In another minute he's back on the line. "I have the most disobedient dogs in the world. I've got six of them. I just rescue them. I think they were all going to the gas chamber too," he laughs.

But back to *Machete* and all

his other characters, like that knife-thrower in *Desperado* who takes down Steve Buscemi and almost ends Antonio Banderas.

That scene changed my life. It was so damn cool, I gush.

He laughs again.

"I can throw a knife, but you gotta remember that's movie magic, and (director Robert Rodriguez) is the best at it."

Apparently *Machete* is better at throwing double-headed axes. "I'm really good at that," he insists.

But for all his tough guy swagger, *Machete* isn't invincible.

"I had a sword fight with Mel Gibson in this movie and when Robert Rodriguez said, 'Action,' I threw my sword down and he said, 'What's wrong Danny?' and I said, 'I'm not fighting William Wallace, come on, he saved Scotland, are you crazy?'"

To find out who won that brawny battle, you'll have to check out the film on Oct. 11.



Machete Kills opens next Friday. CONTRIBUTED



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Tom Clancy had some hate for film's version of his books

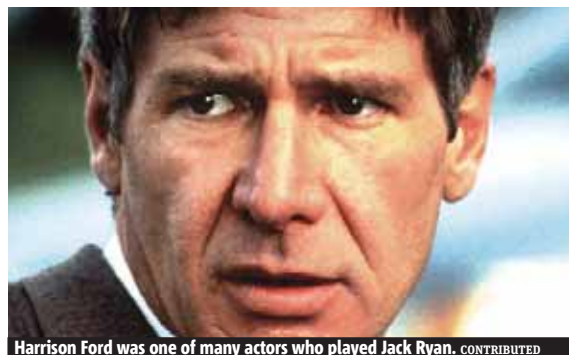
Author regrets.

Deceased thriller writer liked the exposure when his books turned to films, but hated the lack of creative control

Jack Ryan is the sort of American hero that's been a screen staple since the silent era. Harrison Ford, Alec Baldwin and Ben Affleck have all played the fictional CIA analyst, and Chris Pine joins the list when Jack Ryan: Shadow One opens on Christmas Day.

The character was Tom Clancy's version of an American James Bond, said Gregg Kilday, film editor for The Hollywood Reporter.

Clancy, who died Tuesday at age 66, "wrote these very solid, meat-and-potatoes thrillers," Kilday said.



Harrison Ford was one of many actors who played Jack Ryan. CONTRIBUTED

"They offered up a lot of material that directors and actors could work with in fashioning straightforward, semi-patriotic espionage and action-adventure movies."

Each adaptation was a hit: The Hunt for Red October, Patriot Games, Clear and Present Danger and The Sum of All Fears.

But despite the success, the author's relationship

with Hollywood was often contentious.

While he enjoyed the exposure, he regretted the lack of creative control that he had.

"Giving your book to Hollywood is like turning your daughter over to a pimp," he famously said.

"He took potshots at a number of films," Kilday noted.

"He didn't like that mov-

ies like Clear and Present Danger and Patriot Games didn't simply reproduce the plots of his novels," which were too complex to fit into a two-hour screenplay.

Clancy also criticized Ford's casting in those two films, saying the actor was too old to play Ryan, but appreciated Affleck's portrayal in 2002's The Sum of All Fears.

Affleck told the Los Angeles Times that Clancy's realism made his books, and their film adaptations, successful.

"When you read one of his books, you had the distinct feeling that he was depicting military or espionage situations exactly as they really are," Affleck said.

"Other spy books feel invented, while his feel like genuine accounts of events that took place but that no one knows about."

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Drama



Parkland

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Stars. Zac Efron, Tom Welling, Billy Bob Thornton

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Parkland is a character study of the folks who attended to John F. Kennedy in the days following his assassination. From the doctors and nurses at Parkland Memorial (Zac Efron, Colin Hanks and Marcia Gay Harden) to law enforcement officers (Billy Bob Thornton, Ron Livingston) to Lee Harvey Oswald's family (James Badge Dale) to Dallas reporters (Mark Duplass) and the man who took the most famous images of the shooting, Abraham Zapruder (Paul Giamatti), there are so many characters here the actors are forced to fight for screen time to make an impact in this fast moving but ultimately ineffective study. **RICHARD CROUSE**

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Bulat's third album informed by personal loss

New music. Tall Tall Shadow, written using a free-style approach, walks the line between devastating and hopeful

Basia Bulat still has a hard time talking about her recent loss of a loved one, which is perhaps part of why she chose to sing about it.

So it was that the Juno-nominated singer/songwriter found herself grief-stricken and reeling just two months before she was set to record the followup to her standout sophomore record Heart of My Own. She'd already craft-



Juno nominated singer, Basia Bulat.
CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

ed an album's worth of new material, but given the sad recent developments she was

enduring, she tossed aside what she'd written and started again.

And she found the music just poured out of her.

"I wanted to restart and ... really not hold myself back in the singing and the writing, and just see what might come out," the Toronto-based singer said in a recent interview. "It wasn't really, 'Now I'm going to write about this and now

I'm going to write about that.' It was more of a free-form approach to writing.

"One of the songs on the record, It Can't Be You, I was just playing the triangle and singing, whatever came out was the song. It happened really quickly. It wasn't like, 'Hey, let's explore this.' It was literally what was in my heart at the time of writing."

And the resultant record —

Tall Tall Shadow, in stores this week — is appropriately intimate and devastating as one would expect, but also fairly hopeful.

Perhaps that reflects what Bulat says was a liberating recording experience working with producers Tim Kingsbury and Mark Lawson, the former a member of Arcade Fire and the latter a Grammy-winning engineer on that Montreal

band's 2010 smash The Suburbs. Past collaborator Howard Bilerman, another Arcade Fire associate, also contributed.

"I played more of the instruments this time around on this record, and that was in part a conscious decision," she says. "Just to see, can I push myself? How much of this can I do?"

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SOUND CHECK
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It's an all-Canadian affair this week with two new releases



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What began as a reasonably mild Toronto (by way of Ottawa) indie pop band has become more rugged and raw — and it suits them very well. Their latest video punctuates that.



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Finale: The good, the bad and the non-existent

Finishing touch. The reaction to the end of series, or lack there of, can give an indication to how truly great or terrible the show was

Now that the dust (and ricin) has settled from Sunday's Breaking Bad finale, it's worth considering what makes a drama series' exit good or bad.

As much as fans may miss Breaking Bad, they were able to bid farewell, satisfied that it met its obligations at the end no less than it did every week from the first episode. Breaking Bad left the air with a finale that stands alongside the best ever, inventively tying up five seasons of narrative loose ends.

Now what about a bad finale? Easy: Dexter, which aired the week before.

It was disappointing, full of holes and a disservice to a series that, against all odds, managed to make a sociopathic serial killer attractive and believable to viewers for eight slice-and-dice seasons. The finale was a contrivance meant to drag the series to the finish line. In only that respect did it succeed.

But not every worthwhile series even gets a finale. In 2010, Law & Order concluded after 20 seasons and some 450 episodes, missing a proper goodbye or opportunity for closure. Though it was largely episodic, without the serialized through-line many dramas trade on epically, Law & Order and its viewers were denied the ceremony they were due at the end.

Similarly, Deadwood fans still grouse that HBO pulled the plug in 2006 after its three seasons with no finale or, despite vague promises by the network, a movie that could wrap up this rich, complex frontier saga.



The finale of Dexter after eight seasons left many of the show's viewers disappointed. CONTRIBUTED

The ones that got away

Here are two examples of shows that were left hanging

- **Deadwood.** Fans of the HBO western series were given no closure after three seasons
- **Law & Order.** No finale was given to this drama that ran for 450 episodes

The finale for House, though hardly at the level of best-ever, did right by this medical series when it aired in 2012 after an eight-season run. The quirky, pill-popping Dr. House was facing jail for a prank gone wrong as well as the demise of his cancer-ridden best friend. He faked his own death to evade arrest, then he and Wilson rode into the sunset on their motorcycles. The perfect getaway. The perfect ending.

No finale was more wickedly perfect than that of The Shield, aired in 2008. Detective Vic Mackey, its brutish anti-hero, received a fate worse than death or any prison term: the

loss of authority as well as his family into witness protection, and a desk job as part of his immunity agreement.

Not only an honest tearjerker, the finale of Six Feet Under in 2005 was flawlessly in sync with the series' sensibility. A drama about a funeral home, it had been a five-season meditation on life and death. Fittingly, the finale tracked the life and eventual death of its family of characters. The moral was clear and beautifully drawn: No one is immune. Or course, some finales leave viewers scratching their heads as much as nodding them with pleasure. After six seasons and 120 episodes, Lost left the air in 2010 with a rapturous close that provided more comfort and inspiration than hard answers. For one last time, viewers were obliged to get lost in the many dimensions of Lost, and did. On its own oblique terms, it worked.

An argument can still be sparked among Sopranos fans over what that ending meant. Was the nervous implication (that Tony Soprano was about to be whacked as he dined with his family in a local restaurant) carried out after the

screen went dark? Or had Tony, glancing up, just been acknowledging his daughter Meadow's entrance? Was the scene one of brilliant ambiguity (life goes on, whether or not TV keeps showing it to viewers), or a screwing-around-with-the-audience cop-out?

After all this time, no resolution has ever been arrived at, while, ever since that historic blackout, conflicting views have only hardened. The Sopranos got flack (and praise) for an inconclusive ending, and still does. The furious debate proves how good it was.

Breaking Bad (a vastly different show in nearly every way) chose a different kind of ending: Display the complete puzzle with the pieces all in place, letting viewers at last see everything with clarity.

Good finales are recalled and spur conversation for years, as that of Breaking Bad is likely to do. Meanwhile, future finales are eagerly awaited, long before viewers are ready to turn loose of the series. For instance, Mad Men: What will be Don Draper's destiny? We've got two years to wonder. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Spoiler alert

Gilligan tells of choices behind good ending to Bad

MELINDA TAUB
Metro World News

And so, it has ended. Breaking Bad has gone to the big meth lab in the sky.

Whether things went down as you'd hoped or not, I think we can all agree that the show's ending was a lot more satisfying than, say, The Sopranos. Show creator Vince Gilligan says that finality was deliberate.

"We went through a lot of false starts and endings that went nowhere, but we knew we needed to dot all the Is and cross all the Ts," he said on last night's behind the scenes show, Talking Bad.

"In some cases unanswered questions are good, but in this case, in a finite

and closed-ended show, we needed resolution. The Sopranos ending I thought was great. I thought it was perfect for that show. This story was finite all along. It's a story that starts at A and ends at Z."

Spoilers for the final scenes ahead:

Gilligan also says that, in a way, Walter White got a happy ending. "I think in that last scene (Walt), is with his 'precious,' in Lord of the Rings terms. He's with that meth lab that he and Jesse designed, his baby, so to speak, and the lyrics to the song Baby Blue by Badfinger back that up. And I think he is at peace with himself. He has screwed up his life tremendously and I think he knows that, but he has accomplished the thing he has set out to accomplish." That's the true message of Breaking Bad, isn't it? You can accomplish anything if you work hard and believe in yourself.



Jesse and Walt in action in the Breaking Bad finale. AP PHOTO/AMC

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Throwing in the acting towel not an option for Plummer

Muhammad Ali's Great Fight. Veteran Oscar winner adores his profession and relished role historical, political boxing drama

Christopher Plummer may be frozen in some filmgoers' memories as the noble-browed patriarch who made stern parenting and anti-Nazism sexy in *The Sound of Music*.

But Plummer and his career aren't mired in the past. Slipping easily from one disparate recent role to another, he's created Leo Tolstoy in *The Last Station*, the haunted magnate in *The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo* and a man experiencing a late-in-life gay awakening in *Beginners*, which earned him an Oscar last year at age 82.

That made him the oldest acting honoree ever, and he's not stopping. He plays a U.S. Supreme Court justice in HBO's *Muhammad Ali's Greatest Fight*, debuting Saturday (8 p.m. EDT), a history-textured film that puts the boxer's quest to be recognized as a conscientious objector against Vietnam War service and the high court in the ring.

"I don't think retirement exists in our profession," said Plummer, looking every bit the star in elegant slacks and jacket, his white hair perfectly groomed. "If you retire, something's gone very wrong with your career is my theory. Also, why would you want to retire?"



Christopher Plummer (right) in HBO's *Muhammad Ali's Greatest Fight*. AP PHOTO/HBO

Plum' role

U.S. Supreme Court justice. The Canadian-born Plummer heads the HBO film as John Harlan II, who was among the justices who decided in 1971 whether Ali's conviction for refusing to be drafted because of his Muslim-based objections should be upheld or overturned.

It's fun to be in this weird, old, ancient, ancient profession."

The story resonated with Plummer because of Ali's anti-war stance — "As he says, 'Why should I fight them (the Vietnamese)? No one over there has called me (the N-word),'"

Plummer said, quoting Ali — and Harlan's intellectual metamorphosis.

His law clerk, a composite character played by Benjamin

Walker (Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter and Broadway's *Inherit the Wind*), persuades him to take a second look at the case after it appears settled.

"One man, because he listened to somebody else, was intelligent and vulnerable enough to change his beliefs. That's hugely dramatic to me," Plummer said.

Although Plummer is part of a very exclusive club whose members each have won Oscar, Emmy and Tony awards, he declines to pick out his most satisfying performance.

"None of them," he responds quickly. "I always feel I can be a hundred times better." Even in the case of an Oscar-winning role?

"Yes, of course, God, yes," Plummer said. "I can go on forever talking about other people's films. But not necessarily mine."

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Showgirls, Killer Joe and Bound star Gina Gershon plays Donatella Versace in House of Versace. CONTRIBUTED

Tight dresses and lots of cigarettes: Gershon tells the Donatella story

House of Versace. Showgirls star lost weight, studied the icon in videos and smoked like a chimney for the TV movie

MATT PRIGGE
Metro World News in NYC

No one will ever say Gina Gershon made scared or inhibited role choices during her career. In the '90s, she threw herself at Showgirls, then followed that up with the lesbian neo-noir Bound. Last year she performed an unprintable NC-17 act on a chicken wing in Killer Joe.

Playing Donatella Versace in the Lifetime movie House of Versace — which premieres this weekend — isn't on par with any of those. But she dives into the part with appropriate relish, nailing the fashion icon's walk and outsized charisma. Gershon took time to talk to Metro about the role.

Some people say you were doing a Donatella Versace impersonation when you were Fabia, the porn star, on Ugly

On her famous co-star

Raquel Welch. I love Raquel. She was the best. And you know what? She knows her lighting. She knows all that stuff. She comes to set and she's ready to go. She's a real professional. I dig her. I couldn't have been happier that she was there.

Betty. Everyone assumes she was Donatella, but if you look closely you realize she has nothing to do with her. This is the first time I've ever played her.

What was it like playing her seriously, then? She's a remarkable woman. I think we all are familiar with her larger-than-life personality and her extravagance and her parties. But when I read the book and learned about her redemption story, I thought she was pretty fascinating. I'd have wanted to play this character whether it was Donatella or not.

You've never met her. How did you prepare? Luckily there's a lot of video on her, and documentaries

where she's getting ready to do a show. There's this one French documentary that I watched obsessively. Any interviews I could read or anything online — anything where I could watch and see her talk and walk. It's all about finding her walk and the way she wears clothes — super high heels, tight skirts, long hair and cigarettes. She has a lot of physicality going on. Her physicality is quite different from mine.

How was doing her accent? She has a very specific accent. It's very deep and it's very slurry. She has that lazy southern Italian accent. I had to clean it up a little bit for television. Weirdly enough, they want you to be understood on television. But if you're really doing the accent, it should be in subtitles, because half the time you can't understand what she's saying.

What's different about doing a TV movie versus a theatrical film? Time and money. If you're making a real movie, you have a lot more time and you usually have a lot more money. Although these days, who knows? A TV movie, especially

Lifetime, makes them quickly. I found out about it and the next thing I knew we were shooting and next thing I knew it was coming out. To do Donatella's life properly, you'd need a miniseries. There's too much material there.

How were the dresses? Tight! It was right before summer. I had to do my little Donatella diet. I needed to lose a couple pounds anyway. I had to lose 10 or 11 pounds. It was perfect — right in time for bikini season, so I thank her for that. I was a little mad she smokes as much as she does, because that kind of killed me after awhile.

You weren't smoking real cigarettes, were you? I was. The fake ones hurt my chest more than the real ones do. There's something in them that my system doesn't agree with. So I just smoked. It's not like I can't smoke. I'm one of those annoying smokers who smokes if I'm drinking. But if you're playing someone who's smoking, you end up smoking a couple packs a day. That wasn't the most pleasant thing. I respect her and like her, but I hope she stops smoking as much as she does.

Nothing better than the real thing: Fact-based films that refuse to fade

Films. From that Stones gig to the man who lived with the bears, Metro's DVD reviewer Peter Howell lists his top films based on reality

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Real life gets split between dramas and documentaries in movie parlance, but in reality it's a tug between brain and heart. You want to believe that the stories you see on screen are actually true, or a close approximation of the truth. But you also want to feel them. To really succeed, these accounts have to resonate within a deep well of universal experience; our collective sense of humanity.

Here are my Top 10.

The Right Stuff (1983)

Tom Wolfe's bestselling book about the Mercury Seven astronauts of America's first manned space effort of the early 1960s takes flight in Philip Kaufman's vivid screen adaptation. John Glenn (Ed Harris) and Alan Shepard (Scott Glenn) dominate the brush-cut fly boys, who aren't afraid to stare down a faulty heat shield or a prickly LBJ as they reach for the stars.

Man With a Movie Camera (1929)

Offering a film school's worth of technique in 68 fleeting minutes, this 1929 monochrome silent documentary by Russia's pioneer Dziga Vertov radically points to future cinema while examining the daily lives of ordinary Ukrainians. Film critics voted it the number eight movie of all time in the 2012 Sight and Sound poll.

Gimme Shelter (1970)

Insanity dances to Sympathy for the Devil and wields both knife and gun in this chilling Rolling Stones documentary by the great Albert and David Maysles. The Stones tried to one-up Woodstock by headlining a free 1969 concert at California's Altamont Speedway, but bad planning, rough staging and violent Hells Angels security combined for a

lethal stabbing and a generational reckoning.

The Fog of War (2003, subtitled)

Eleven Lessons from the Life of Robert S. McNamara, Errol Morris's potent inquiry into the mind of former U.S. Defense Secretary Robert McNamara makes for a classic study of regret and reflection. McNamara candidly discusses the tough decisions he made during the Kennedy and Johnson administrations, letting us know just how awful the Vietnam War was and how close we all came to nuclear oblivion during the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Stop Making Sense (1984)

Arguably the best concert film ever, Jonathan Demme's document of the Talking Heads at their rocking peak begins with an empty stage and an air of anticipation. Frontman David Byrne walks on to play Psycho Killer on acoustic guitar, and each new song brings another band member and more equipment. It's a music doc from the ground up, expertly paced and played.

When We Were Kings (1996)

Muhammad Ali and George Foreman went just eight rounds together in their 1974 Rumble in the Jungle championship bout in Zaire, but film director Leon Gast went through 23 years of adversity to get their story on the screen. Money troubles and rights issues forced Gast to keep the raw footage stored on the floor of his New York apartment, but when the time finally came to put it together, he stung like a bee. The result was a powerful account and an Oscar-winning documentary.

Exit Through the Gift Shop (2010)

Documentary or mockumentary? Honest veil-lifter or cynical leg-puller? The British street artist Banksy leaves everybody guessing with this confounding yet entertaining saga that begins with a potted history of modern street art, before morphing into a bizarre account of Mr. Brainwash, a French immigrant in Los Angeles, who may be an inspired image maker — or may just be a complete fraud.



Mick Jagger and The Rolling Stones were the focal point of Gimme Shelter.



Brad Pitt played Jesse James in the factual western classic. ALL IMAGES CONTRIBUTED

Stories We Tell (2012)

Actor/director Sarah Polley grew up hearing complicated whispers about the circumstances of her birth and the free-spirit actions of her mother, Diane. Polley dons a metaphorical Sherlock's cap to inquire into the rumours, a draining process that threatens

documentarian Werner Herzog fashioned into a film both lyrical and horrifying, the true story of a man who, to use the words of Shakespeare, "loved not wisely but too well."

The Assassination of Jesse James by the Coward Robert Ford (2007)

The title may sound like it tells all you need to know about this

to put her at odds with her family, but which also yields one of the most astounding and emotive docs in recent memory.

Grizzly Man (2005)

Wildlife enthusiast Timothy Treadwell believed that grizzly bears would never hurt a human who truly loved them; he died for this naive assumption. He left behind 100 hours of video footage that ace

infamous Wild West occurrence, but Andrew Dominik's dramatic feature provides much more. It digs deep into the psyches and motivations of charismatic outlaw James (Brad Pitt) and his admirer and antagonist Ford (Casey Affleck), the latter a man undone by jealousy and resentment.

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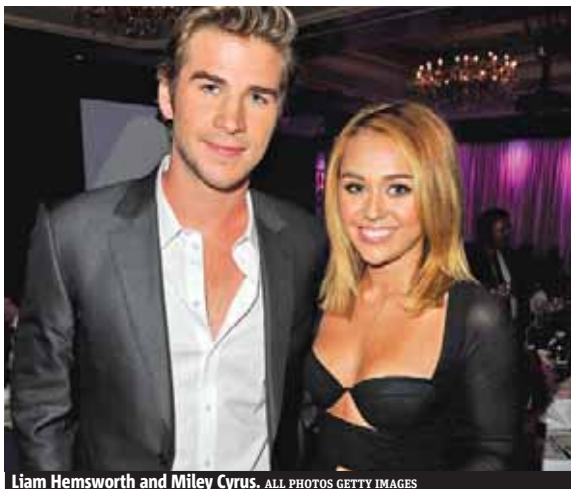
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Liam Hemsworth and Miley Cyrus. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Did Miley make Liam the star he is today? It seems Cyrus would say so

While Miley Cyrus and Liam Hemsworth officially split in September, the breakup reportedly dragged out over four months — with Cyrus guilt-tripping Hemsworth for the bulk of it, according to Radar Online. “She was constantly reminding him that she

‘helped make him a star’ through their movie, The Last Song, and she’d brag that she ‘introduced him to the world,’” a source says. “Miley was super-manipulative with Liam and she used the movie to trap and guilt him into staying in a relationship with her.”

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Bynes' parents speak out on misinformed media

MELINDA TAUB

Metro World News

After months of speculation about Amanda Bynes' whereabouts and treatment, her mother Lynn Bynes has spoken publicly for the first time. “I would really like everyone out there to know that almost 99 per cent of the things written about my daughter in various media outlets are false or misleading,” Lynn told People in a statement.

Reports have placed



Amanda at various treatment facilities since she was placed in her parents' custody this summer, but Lynn went on to explain that the Bynes family had decided not to release any details on Amanda's condition.

“Please know that neither myself or other family members have ever released any information regarding her treatment or diagnosis. We truly believe in keeping our daughter's situation private for now.”

Totally understandable. Let us know if you change your mind and would like to satisfy our nosy, inappropriate curiosity. We'll be here.

Nothing compares to getting a cautionary letter from O'Connor

Sinead O'Connor is worried about Miley Cyrus — at least enough to pen an open letter to the Wrecking Ball singer. “I am extremely concerned for you that those around you have led you to believe — or encouraged you in your own beliefs — that it is in any way ‘cool’ to be naked and licking sledgehammers in your videos,” O'Connor writes. “You will obscure your talent by allowing yourself to be pimped, whether it is the music business or yourself doing the pimping. The music business doesn't give a s— about you, or any of us. They will prostitute



Sinead O'Connor

you for all you are worth and cleverly make you think it's what you wanted, and when you end up in rehab as a result of being prostituted, ‘they’ will be sunning themselves on their yachts in Antigua, which they bought by selling your body and you will find yourself very alone.”

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Ingredients

- 1 tbsp vegetable oil
- Half medium onion, chopped
- Half celery stalk, chopped
- 1 tsp crushed garlic
- 1/4 lb mushrooms, sliced
- 2 cans tomatoes (each 19 oz), chopped and drained
- 2 tbsp tomato paste
- 1/3 cup white wine or fish stock
- 1 tsp dried oregano
- 1 1/2 tsp dried basil
- 2 bay leaves
- 24 mussels
- 1/2 lb shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 1/2 lb scallops
- 1/2 lb firm white fish (cod, halibut, haddock), cut into bite-sized pieces
- Chopped fresh parsley



This recipe serves six. MARK SHAPIRO, FROM ROSE REISMAN BRINGS HOME LIGHT COOKING (MCM BOOKS)

work well) or fish for a great one-dish meal served with a salad or some Italian crusty bread.

1. In a large nonstick saucepan, heat oil; sauté onion, celery, garlic and mushrooms until softened, approximately 5 minutes.

2. Add tomatoes, tomato

paste, wine, oregano, basil and bay leaves; cover and simmer for 25 minutes, stirring occasionally.

3. Scrub mussels under cold water; remove any beards. Discard any that do not close when tapped.

4. Add mussels, shrimp, scal-

lops and fish to pot; cover and cook for 5 to 8 minutes or until mussels open, shrimp are pink and scallops and fish are opaque. Discard any mussels that do not open. Discard bay leaves. Serve immediately.

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As a proud Maritimer I know my way around a feed of anything that swims, crawls or attaches itself to a rock in the ocean.

As a wine guy, I'm also aware the term "seafood" casts a huge net, gathering hundreds of flavour profiles that make choosing one liquid partner to satisfy them all nearly impossible.

Of course your favourite aquatic inhabitant rarely gets served alone, so consider everything on the plate when looking for a wine mate.

While today's feature recipe may include more fish than an episode of Jacques Cousteau, it's really the tomatoes that put their stamp on the dish.

Though tomatoes can make a temperamental marriage with wine, seafood stew offers a robust-enough personality to go head-to-head with a red offering good acidity and subtle flavours.

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DIY Thanksgiving

Style gurus Steven Sabados and Chris Hyndman are getting ready for the Thanksgiving holiday and shared these easy, cost-effective DIY projects to help you get into the festive spirit. For more Thanksgiving tips, watch Steven and Chris weekdays at 2 p.m. on CBC.

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Pumpkin Alexander cocktail

The wonderful fall flavours that we savour at Thanksgiving need not end once dinner has been devoured. The delicious taste of pumpkin can add an interesting festive twist to a classic Brandy Alexander cocktail.

- 1.5 oz brandy
- 0.5 oz amaretto
- 2 oz crème
- 3 tsp canned pumpkin pie filling
- Nutmeg
- Cinnamon

Method:

1. Drop some crushed ice into a shaker.
2. Add brandy, amaretto, crème and canned pumpkin pie filling.
3. Secure the shaker lid on the shaker.
4. Shake away!

5. Pour the frothy cocktail into a martini glass and garnish with grated nutmeg and cinnamon.



Birch candlestick holders

Birch logs are a chic addition to your fall decor and are often found in robust autumn planters. Incorporate a touch of this rustic elegance into your fall tablescape with these beautiful birch candlestick holders.

- Saw
- Birch logs
- Drill & spade bit
- Candles

Method:

1. Saw your birch log into varying heights.
2. In the centre of each log drill a hole, approximately one inch in depth (Note: Use a spade bit that is the same width as your taper candle — we used a 3/4-inch bit).
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Huskies defensive back Jonathan Langa tackles Axemen running back Thomas Troop during the teams' last matchup at Huskies Stadium on Sept. 6. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Huskies' defence setting bar high

Football. AUS's all-time sack leader Jubenville is dominating again, and plans to make this year count



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Rob Jubenville is simply good at what he does.

Very good.

In fact, the Saint Mary's Huskies defensive lineman stands as Atlantic University Sport's all-time career sacks leader. Just last Friday, in the Huskies' 25-13 win over the St. Francis Xavier X-Men, he added four more, the second-

Quoted

"I'm just soaking it all in. I love being on the field, game day. That's what I'll miss, getting out there and making the plays."

Huskies defensive lineman Rob Jubenville

highest single-game total in AUS history, not to mention his 5 1/2 tackles.

When it comes to the art of sacking, the six-foot, 257-pounder attributes much of his success to his time spent at the Winnipeg Blue Bombers' training camp last year.

There he fine-tuned his skills and techniques: getting off the ball, his explosiveness.

"It also has a lot to do with hard work," he said.

Jubenville anchors Coach Perry Marchese's trusted de-

fence, which has allowed the least amount of passing and rushing yards in the AUS this season.

"We're all tight," said Jubenville. "I know they have my back; I have theirs. We trust each other."

In his fifth and final year with the Huskies, he's looking to make this season count.

"I have to make the most of it; I don't have any more years of eligibility."

On Saturday at 2 p.m., Jubenville and Co. are putting

their 2-2 records on the line against the Acadia Axemen (2-2) at Huskies Stadium.

His teammate Richard Akiki has no doubt he'll bring his A-game.

"In my three years playing here, I haven't seen a better player than him," the offensive lineman said.

"I think he's the best player probably ever to play at that position wearing this jersey. You see the numbers and the type of leadership he brings to this team."

In such a competitive conference, Akiki said every game counts, which is why he's preparing for an all-out battle.

"We just approach each game like it's a playoff game; it's week-to-week with the teams so close. Every game is essentially a playoff game."

AUS football. Axemen coach looking for revenge

Jeff Cummings knows his team is a lot better than what it showed on Sept. 6.

The head coach of the Axemen watched his club fall 14-11 to the Huskies in a sloppy affair at Huskies Stadium.

A bad snap eventually led

to a turnover and then a decisive Huskies touchdown. It still doesn't sit well with him.

"We didn't show our best selves last time we played here," said Cummings. "We have to prove that we're a better football team than what

we showed in Week 1. We've gotten better in the last four weeks and we're excited to play; our guys are pumped up to play."

The Axemen have won their last games against the Mount Allison Mounties and X-Men by

a combined score of 80-20.

But Cummings is taking nothing for granted.

"Hopefully we can move the ball a lot better this time, but that's a very good defence that Saint Mary's has," he said.

ANDREW RANKIN/METRO

NBA

Raptors land in Halifax for camp

The Toronto Raptors have arrived.

The full roster of Canada's only NBA franchise touched down in Halifax Thursday afternoon in preparation for their two-day training camp stint in the port city.

On Friday, the team will hold a morning practice (10 a.m. to noon) and an evening practice (6 p.m. to 8 p.m.) at the Canada Games Centre, which are both closed to the public.

The Metro Centre will play host to an intra-squad game Saturday at noon, where fans will have a chance to see the team's full roster.

A group of Raptors players are expected to lead a one-hour anti-bullying session with students at Fairview Junior High School on Friday from 11 a.m. to noon. They'll be joined by provincial anti-bullying coordinator Kathleen Richard.

This is the second year in a row that the Raptors have held a portion of their training camp in Halifax. METRO

Patrick Roy

Avs coach fined for defending MacKinnon

Patrick Roy was fined \$10,000 by the NHL on Thursday for his emotional outburst the night before in his Colorado Avalanche coaching debut.

Soon after the final horn of a 6-1 win, Roy yelled at Anaheim coach Bruce Boudreau and then pounded on the glass partition separating the two benches. Roy was livid over a late knee-to-knee hit on rookie Nathan MacKinnon.

Roy said he will "always defend my players." He was far from pleased with Boudreau, who took exception to Roy talking to his players and referees. Roy said: "What Boudreau said was all lies.... When you're lying, this is classless."

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Avalanche coach Patrick Roy
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Penguins push past Devils in home opener

NHL. Fleury passes opening test in trying to reclaim status as Pittsburgh's No. 1 goalie

Marc-Andre Fleury stopped 28 shots for his 250th NHL victory and franchise-record 24th shutout, and Sidney Crosby scored in Pittsburgh's two-goal first period to lead the Penguins to a 3-0 victory over the New Jersey Devils on Thursday night in the season opener for both teams.

Chuck Kobasew and Craig Adams added goals for the Penguins, who took control



The Penguins celebrate Sidney Crosby's goal in Pittsburgh's home opener on Thursday. GETTY IMAGES

early.

Kobasew and Crosby scored less than four minutes apart in the first, and Adams

made it 3-0 midway through the third to celebrate his 800th career game in style.

Cory Schneider made 18 saves for the Devils. Schneider's start marked the first time in 19 years Martin Brodeur didn't play in the season opener for New Jersey. Brodeur is expected to start Friday at home against the New York Islanders.

The Penguins stuck with the former No. 1 pick Fleury following a second straight flameout in the playoffs against the Boston Bruins last spring, believing he and veteran Tomas Vokoun made up the best tandem in the league.

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NHL

Bruins shut down Bolts for win No. 1

The Boston Bruins' season was only eight minutes old when forward Chris Kelly skated in alone toward Tampa Bay goalie Anders Lindback on a short-handed rush.

A stick in the gut prevented him from getting off a clean drive, but it earned him the first penalty shot

of his career. He converted, and Patrice Bergeron also scored a short-handed goal on Thursday night as the Bruins opened the defence of their Eastern Conference championship with a 3-1 victory over the Lightning.

"Not in a million years did I think it was our power play that would let us down," Lightning captain Martin St. Louis said. "We were slow-reacting, and stubborn."

It was the first time in NHL

history that a team scored its first goal of the season on a penalty shot, according to the Elias Sports Bureau. The Lightning went 0-for-5 on the power play, failing to score on a pair of 5-on-3 advantages, while allowing the two short-handed goals.

On the night before the Red Sox open the ALDS against the Rays, Boston got an early jump on Tampa Bay thanks in part to 32 saves by Tuukka Rask.

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NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	4	0	0	1.000	89	57
Miami	3	1	0	.750	91	91
N.Y. Jets	2	2	0	.500	68	88
Buffalo	2	3	0	.400	112	130

NORTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cleveland	3	2	0	.600	101	94
Baltimore	2	2	0	.500	91	87
Cincinnati	2	2	0	.500	81	81
Pittsburgh	0	4	0	.000	69	110

SOUTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	3	1	0	.750	105	51
Tennessee	3	1	0	.750	98	69
Houston	2	2	0	.500	90	105
Jacksonville	0	4	0	.000	31	129

WEST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	4	0	0	1.000	179	91
Kansas City	4	0	0	1.000	102	41
San Diego	2	2	0	.500	108	102
Oakland	1	3	0	.250	71	91

WEEK 5

Thursday's result

Cleveland 37 Buffalo 24
Sunday's games
Seattle at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
New England at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Kansas City at Tennessee, 1 p.m.

NHL

Thursday's results

Washington 5 Calgary 4 (SO)
Boston 3 Tampa Bay 1
Pittsburgh 3 New Jersey 0
Los Angeles 3 Minnesota 2 (SO)
Florida 4 Dallas 2
St. Louis 4 Nashville 2
N.Y. Rangers at Phoenix
Vancouver at San Jose

Wednesday's results

Toronto 3 Philadelphia 1
Detroit 2 Buffalo 1
Colorado 6 Anaheim 1

Friday's games

Calgary at Columbus, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Carolina, 7 p.m.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	2	2	0	.500	104	85
Philadelphia	1	3	0	.250	99	138
Washington	1	3	0	.250	91	112
N.Y. Giants	0	4	0	.000	61	146

NORTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Detroit	3	1	0	.750	122	101
Chicago	3	1	0	.750	127	114
Green Bay	1	2	0	.333	96	88
Minnesota	1	3	0	.250	115	123

SOUTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	4	0	0	1.000	108	55
Carolina	1	2	0	.333	68	36
Atlanta	1	3	0	.250	94	104
Tampa Bay	0	4	0	.000	44	70

WEST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Seattle	4	0	0	1.000	109	47
San Francisco	2	2	0	.500	79	95
Arizona	2	2	0	.500	69	89
St. Louis	1	3	0	.250	69	121

Baltimore at Miami, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
Denver at Dallas, 4:25 p.m.
San Diego at Oakland, 4:25 p.m.
Houston at San Francisco, 8:30 p.m.

Ottawa at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
NY Islanders at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
Los Angeles at Winnipeg, 8 p.m.
Nashville at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Saturday's games
Philadelphia at Montreal, 7 p.m.
Buffalo at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Boston, 7 p.m.
Ottawa at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Columbus at NY Islanders, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Washington at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Florida at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Anaheim at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Edmonton at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Phoenix at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

CFL

WEEK 15

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pts
x-Toronto	13	9	4	0	388	337	18
Hamilton	13	6	7	0	327	364	12
Montreal	13	5	8	0	302	361	10
Winnipeg	13	2	11	0	268	421	4

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pts
x-Calgary	13	10	3	0	408	312	20
x-B.C.	13	9	4	0	378	319	18
Saskatchewan	13	8	5	0	388	299	16
Edmonton	13	3	10	0	316	362	6

x-clinched playoff berth

Friday's games — All Times Eastern

Hamilton at Toronto, 7 p.m.

Saskatchewan at B.C., 10 p.m.

Saturday's games

Montreal at Edmonton, 3:30 p.m.

Winnipeg at Calgary, 6:30 p.m.

MLB

AL DIVISION SERIES

(Best-of-5)

DETROIT VS. OAKLAND

Friday's game

Detroit (Scherzer 21-3) at Oakland (Colon 18-6), 9:37 p.m.

Saturday, October 5

Detroit (Verlander 13-12) at Oakland (Gray 5-3), 9:07 p.m.

BOSTON VS. TAMPA BAY

Friday's game

Tampa Bay at Boston 3:07 p.m.

Saturday, October 5

Tampa Bay at Boston 5:37 p.m.

NL DIVISION SERIES

(Best-of-5)

L.A. DODGERS VS. ATLANTA

(Los Angeles leads 1-0)

Thursday's result

L.A. Dodgers 6 Atlanta 1

Friday's game

L.A. Dodgers (Greinke 15-4) at Atlanta

(Minor 13-9), 6:07 p.m.

ST. LOUIS VS. PITTSBURGH

(St. Louis leads 1-0)

Thursday's result

St. Louis 9 Pittsburgh 1

Friday's game

Pittsburgh at St. Louis (Lynn 15-10), 1:07 p.m.



Burnett, Bucs bomb in St. Louis

Pittsburgh Pirates starter A.J. Burnett pitches during the first inning of the National League Division Series opener against the Cardinals on Thursday in St. Louis. Burnett gave up seven runs in the third and the Pirates lost 9-1 in Game 1. CHARLIE RIEDEL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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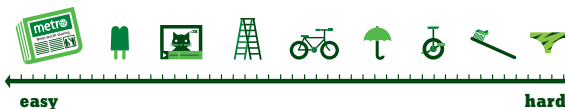
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Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

Your heart will point you in the right direction today and if you are smart you won't ask questions, you will just go where it tells you to go

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

You probably won't get a lot of free time today and over the weekend, so make sure others know you are going to be busy.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Nothing and no one can stand between you and your goal, but don't get carried away. More important than success is that you reach it appropriately, playing by the rules and helping others along the way.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Petty squabbles could easily get out of hand over the next two or three days, so make it a point of honor to control your temper.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Travel and socialize as much as possible today and over the weekend, because the new moon will introduce you to people and places that bring a smile to your face. Life is good and about to get even better.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

A new moon in the financial area of your chart means you will get what you deserve, nothing more and nothing less. It's not all about money, of course, but it's a pretty good way of measuring how successful you've been.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

You will be feeling on top of the world today, and with every good reason. The approaching new moon in your sign means that happy days are here again.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

It would be foolish to try to bluff your way out of trouble when there really isn't that much at stake. If you have made a mistake then admit it – and maybe follow up with an aggressively Scorpio “so what?”

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You will find it difficult to play by the rules today, especially if other people egg you on to do something outrageous.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Important people expect you to deliver and you must not let them down. You may have to burn the candle at both ends in order to meet your obligations on time but you'll be glad you did, so get on with it.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

A new moon in your fellow Air sign of Libra means you can easily escape tasks you don't want to do and people you don't want to get involved with.

Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

Keep your eyes and ears open and, above all, keep an open mind because an offer that comes your way out of the blue is not to be missed.

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Crossword: Canada Across and Down

Across

- Teacher's replacement, commonly
- Boo-hoed
- Mystery writer Dame Christie, informally
- ___mucil (Fiber supplement brand)
- The 'A' in AD
- Hairstyling head-quarters
- Have ___ (Know 'somebody')
- Winnebago owner, informally
- Swedish explorer Mr. Hedin, and others
- Beautiful sights in Canada: 2 wds.
- Sandra Bullock's new outerspace movie
- Boxing locale
- "I'd like to buy ___" ...said the "Wheel of Fortune" contestant
- Music category
- Friend ...en francais
- New Testament star
- 1722 Daniel Defoe book, ___ Flanders
- Suffix with 'Pluto' (Rich ruler)
- Environmental sci.
- Canadian folk singer/songwriter of "Rock and Roll Song"
- Grain-of-rice

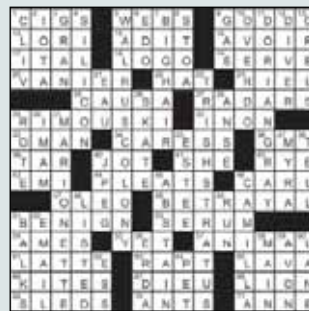
- shaped pasta
- Open/___ case
- Mr. Redding
- Someone purchasing
- Type of hill
- Was in the red
- Fish that fits here
- Reasonable
- Sweeper's recep-

- tacle
- Bryan Adams hit: 4 wds.
- Cream of the crop
- Back
- Y-___
- Annoyed: 2 wds.
- Combine
- Name things on a pad

- Open court hearings
- Some insects
- Allow
- Down
- Man's courtesy title in Barcelona
- Mohawk Valley city in New York
- Robber's would-be-

- stash holder: 2 wds.
- Start liking, as an idea: 2 wds.
- Diplomatic representative
- Tire: French
- Conflicted
- Lash out
- Singer Mr. DeGraw
- "___ Glen Ross"

Thursday's Crossword

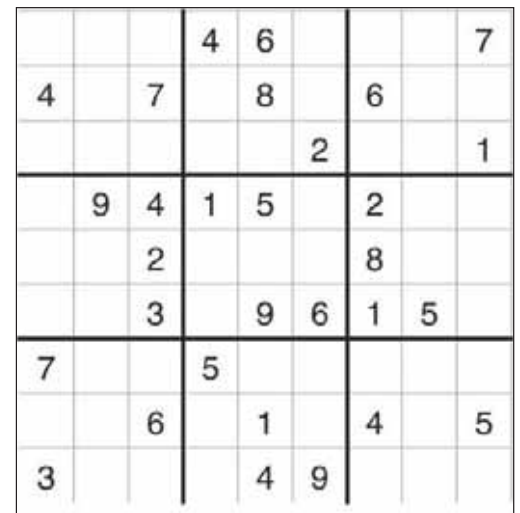


Sudoku

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Thursday's Sudoku



- (1992)
- Particles
- Spelled-out letters
- Ms. Helgenberger
- Yangs opposites
- Letter ender, Yours ___
- Strong
- Alberta town
- Complex path system
- "Lump ___ leave...": 2 wds.
- "Why surely you ___"
- Reverberate
- The Guess Who song that goes "Whatever happened to homes as opposed to houses?": 2 wds.
- Better half
- Duncan, BC-born hockey great, Russ ___
- O, for one
- Savour
- Early stages of things
- Palace protectors
- Fragrant oil from flowers
- Apportioned
- Sprite
- Make ___ (Pose, boxer-style)
- Home, informally
- Be overly sweet
- "___ la Douce" (1963)
- Razor-sharp
- Bigheadedness

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